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OPENING OF LEGISLATURE.

This year's session of the legislature may open on Thursday, Nov. 30. The cabinet had decided to open the session on Nov. 10, but owing to representations made by certain members to the premier, it has been decided to postpone the opening until the 30th.

Within a very short while important changes in the Sifton cabinet will be announced, it is understood; and probably two new ministers may be taken within the fold.

The calling of the session might be deferred until December 10th next, it cannot be put any longer than that without contravening the laws of the province.

BIG FIRE AT IRMA, ALTA.

Fire at Irma last Thursday night destroyed Milburn Bros. general store, which is a total loss, with little insurance. The small general store building was destroyed, but the contents were saved. There is no insurance. Ambler's pool room and barber shop are a total loss, with little insurance. The total loss is \$30,000, with insurance of \$4,500. Five other buildings were also burned, including the stables and sheds. The area of the fire was half of the block southeast of the station. The Old Fellows lost all their regalia and plans, which was a Milburn Bros. hall. The fire started at 12:15 p. m. The damage was estimated at \$75,000. Equipment will be rebuilt at once. The lumber yard escaped injury.

DECISION IN GREAT WATERWAYS SUIT.

Justice Stuart has awarded the province of Alberta the decision in the great Waterways case and declares in introduction to his judgment that he gives only a matter of opinion, allowing higher courts to decide the case, particularly in view of the fact that the whole case is certain to be considered by one or more appellate courts, where greater experience and ability will surely be brought to bear upon it.

Summary of judgment: "There will, therefore, be judgment for the plaintiffs for the sum of six million forty-two thousand and eighty-three dollars and twenty-six cents, together with interest on one million, five hundred and one thousand, two hundred and fifty dollars from November 4, 1900, to December 16, 1910; on one million, five hundred and seven thousand, two hundred and ninety-one dollars and sixty-two cents from December 3rd, 1909, to December 16, 1910; on one million, five hundred and thirteen thousand, seven hundred and fifty dollars from January 3rd, 1910, to December 16, 1910; and on one million, five hundred and nineteen thousand, seven hundred and ninety-one and sixty-four cents from February 3, 1910, to December 16, 1910, all at 4 per cent. per annum; and upon the total sum of six million, forty-two thousand and eighty-three dollars and twenty-six cents at 5 per cent. from December 16, 1910, to the date (November 4th, 1911). In accordance with the decision upon the appeal in the interlocutory application herein, there will be no costs."

VOTE ON CHURCH UNION.

The heads of the Methodist Church in Canada are sending out to members the ballots that will decide for them whether church union will take place with the Presbyterians and Congregationalists. There is but one question on the ballot: "Are you in favor of organic union with other churches?" "Yes," or "No," is to be the answer. Four kinds of ballots are being issued, one for church members over eighteen, one for members under eighteen, one for adherents, and one for officials. The vote will commence at once, and will continue until spring, when the results will be compiled.

HERE AND THERE.

A mild case of small-pox has been discovered in Edmonton. Alix intends forming a hockey team and a meeting was held last Friday for that purpose.

Prior to his departure for Lacombe the citizens of Alix presented Constable Curry, of the R. N. W. M. P., with a purse of \$25.00 at a banquet held last Thursday evening.

Wetaskiwin is to have a first-class skating and hockey rink this winter. Mr. Smith, of the bowling alley, has purchased the old skating rink property, and is having it fitted up in modern style, with promenades on either side of the ice, and is having a room constructed over the part of the rink allotted to spectators. A good band stand will also be provided, and music will be furnished two or three nights a week.

A fatal train collision occurred five miles north of Crossfield on the C. & E. branch, when the north-bound express ran into an open switch and collided with a south-bound freight. The fireman of the passenger train was killed; the engineer severely scalded, and the baggage man and brakeman were both injured. The passengers received a slight shaking up but no one was hurt.

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An airship will endeavor to fly across the Atlantic shortly and the great gas bag has already made several satisfactory trial trips.

A negro fell from a three-story building in Philadelphia and cracked the pavement. He suffered some bruises, but his skull was not injured.

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BOOST.

Help boost Mirror and let the world know what we have and what we expect to have. There is no limit to our possibilities we have some of the finest farming country in Alberta at our backs; a lake that will eventually be the greatest summer resort and camping grounds in Central Alberta. Our business men are alive, keen and full of energy, enthusiastic and ambitious, both for their town and themselves; so what is there to stop our onward march. Head up everybody and aim high.

ALBERTA TO THE FRONT

A significant result of the dry farming congress recently held at Colorado Springs, Col., is the fact that Alberta, in competition with the world, proved that it grows the finest potatoes. The same applies to cauliflower, cabbages, carrots and other vegetable crops, and grain and grasses. The still more significant feature is that Alberta proved it can grow the finest tomatoes. Our Alberta products swept the congress they brought nearly a hundred awards of one kind and another to this province. The ratio of prizes taken by Alberta in comparison with those taken by any other state or province is ten to one. The grand sweepstakes cup, a splendid trophy was captured by the province. It will, according to C. H. Hotchkiss, the chief publicity commissioner, be exhibited in one of the Edmonton jeweler's windows.

SAVING FUEL.

An article dealing with the waste of fuel when straw is burned brings to mind other fuel wastes that are as serious when coal or wood is burned, wastes that could be avoided by exercise of a little care and ingenuity. Watch almost any smokestack above a coal fire and you will see clouds of black smoke belching forth; that smoke consists of minute particles of black carbon and is the most valuable part of the fuel shovelled in below; there are also less visible gases in the volume emitted that have almost equal fuel value. Nearly all the fuel thus sent forth as waste, and worse than waste as it is pollution to the air, could be utilised. All that is necessary is to admit above the fire fresh air, heated but still containing its oxygen, sufficient to burn the gases and carbon particles, a combustion chamber has to be provided of course, at the point where the gases are to be burned. Simple experiments such as the use of a hot air blast above the coals, as some coal stoves provide, show that even a crude apparatus for this purpose will produce intense heat where the gases are

burning and will also show that it is not difficult to burn them. The real difficulty is to induce the builders of heating and power producing apparatus to forsake the patterns of former years. Even careful and studies firing will diminish the black smoke output from a chimney and the saving such methods of firing will accomplish is considerable, particularly in a land where fuel is scarce and expensive.

Some coal stoves have a foolish and dangerous device upon them; in the first pipe above the stove there is a slide to be opened when the draft is to be checked. This not only takes considerable volume of the hot test air in the room direct, from over the fire and sends it up the chimney but produces conditions of great danger from fumes possibly pouring out into the room; many cases of asphyxiation occur yearly from the use of these slide checks, so many that the law should forbid their use. A coal fire should be checked by stopping the draft below the coals and if needed by admitting air directly above the coals without stopping the draft into the chimney while such opening exists above the burning fuel. Ordinary consistency of the conditions will show the reasons for this theory.

Another serious waste of fuel exists more particularly in houses heated with a furnace. The draft-pipe runs from the furnace directly into the chimney in the basement; it is usually a six inch or seven inch pipe and sends the heat as swiftly as possible into the chimney and up to heat all outdoors. In some furnaces at least half the heat goes that direction. If a smoke pipe be used and the air run up through the house through screens around them the pipes will leave more heat in the house than any register they can easily be made to pass through halls or to be connected in the basements where their naked presence might not be considered artistic. If drums are used in this smoke pipe length even more heat can be saved.

Too many houses have been built in the western country by men who came from lands where winter weather was much less severe than here and fuel was cheaper. Besides the furnace losses noted above there are losses caused by material used for appearance only, merely to suit the passing whim of fashion. Some of the lapped siding now being used presents a very seamy defence against an Alberta wind. It is said to be "new" and to look better than any other kind; perhaps, but it is exactly the same in appearance and effect as the clapboarding that went out of fashion in Eastern Ontario some fifty years ago. Builders using it should be careful as to its joints and keep it painted to avoid the warp that allows the prairie wind to find a peep hole. If the alleged superior appearance is desired and any fear exists as to warmth, any contractor or builder's supply firm can advise an owner how to obtain warmth by the use of building papers or other material inside.

The latter point is mentioned merely as one of the outcomes of our slavery to our ideas of art. There are many others noticeable in the construction of houses and all increase the cost of living which so many begin to find such a heavy load. And point to the fuel bill as one of the chief factors in producing that load—a factor this winter may be exercising undue proportion. Every ugly, fuzzy crevice upon a house, added "for beauty's sake" is also an addition to the winter's fuel bill as well as a departure from the simplicity that improves and expends that much less material in comfort or convenience inside. The houses that are really

most beautiful are not fuzzy with apparent attempts to impress by embellishment, for art that has a true meaning is the only true art. Western Canada has much to learn along this line.—Saturday Press.

THE BIBLE OUTPUT.

Much has been heard of late of the modern world's neglect of the bible. That the demand for it is enormous, in spite of its alleged neglect, is indicated by the following statements which we quote from a recent book, "The Bible and Modern Life": "Twenty-seven bible societies are printing the bible in United States, three in Great Britain, and twenty-three in the European continent. These twenty-seven societies reported an aggregate output in 1910, of 12,843,100 bibles. It is conservatively stated that more copies of the bible were sold last year than any other hundred books of the world combined. The Oxford Press turns out 20,000 bibles a week. The British and Foreign Bible Society prints a bible in 400 languages. The lead of one of the great publishing houses of London stated recently that it had been impossible for several years to find a house with which he was connected to print bibles rapidly enough to supply the demand. It was stated that the Boxer war in China would drive bible production from that Empire, yet last year the issue of bibles for China was 428,000 copies. The American Bible society published and distributed in 1910, 163,028 copies of the bible. The total annual issues of scriptures are over nineteen million volumes.

An exchange says:—Most men who own a watch think they know all about it. They have the number fixed in their memory in case it is stolen, they could probably pick it out from fifty other watches with their eyes shut. But how many men know that their watch is a compass and will tell north from south as accurately as it will tell the time of day? Stanley, the explorer, did not know until he had groped his way through the dark continent and met a Belgian sailor on the coast. Every watch is a compass. If you point the hour hand to the sun the south is exactly half way between the hour hand and the figure XII on the dial. Suppose for instance it is 4 o'clock. Point the hand indicating 4 to the sun and XI on the watch is exactly south. If it is 3 o'clock point the hand indicat-

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CANADIAN WHEAT WINS FIRST PRIZE.

Canada is well represented at the first great land show in the Madison Square Garden in New York, which is attracting thousands of visitors.

Canada wins the Sir Thomas Shaughnessy prize of \$1,000 in gold for the best 100 pounds of wheat grown in America. The judges are having difficulty in deciding between the exhibits of W. J. Glass of Macleod, Alberta, and Sanger Wheeler of northern Sask. The United States exhibits are outclassed by the splendid samples of Canadian wheat.

British Columbia wins the stillwell \$1,000 cup with the splendid exhibit of over one hundred different varieties of potatoes.

Canada would have secured other prizes had her exhibits been allowed to compete.

The British Columbia government have a splendid exhibit of 100 varieties of potatoes under the direction of H. C. Stuart Wade, of New Westminster, and A. S. Smith, the well-known "potato king" of British Columbia. The Okanagan and the Kootenay are competing for the apple prizes with magnificent specimens of all the well-known varieties.

The Central Alberta Development League of Edmonton have a splendid exhibit under the direction of J. L. Porte, of grains, grasses, vegetables, minerals, etc.

The western states exhibitors are jealous of the attention Canadian exhibits are receiving, and it is regrettable that the Canadian exhibits are scattered in the different parts of the building. Had they been combined, their effectiveness would have been greatly increased.

Some men are like photographs. Every day they reel off the same old records.

THE WISE INVESTOR.

I often buy gold bricks by mail; in fact, I'm always sending kale to fakers here and fakers there, and rainbow dealers everywhere. I've blown myself for bogus ore, and orange groves on Greenland's shore, and meerkat mines and moonlight plants, ginseng and rubber elephants. The fakers get me in the snares, and sell me wind and Belgian hares that when my fellow townsman talk, and ask me to invest in stock to help some local enterprise, I am conservative and wise. "Nay, nay," I cry, "your boosting schemes are merely wild and woolly dreams. I can not spend my hard earned dough to help to make this village grow. Your scheme would yield but six per cent, which fills my soul with discontent. I want to see my wealth increase hand over hand, and never cease, so I'll buy ice in Hudson's Bay, and mines a million miles away, and wireless stock and pickled snakes and other fakes." I think my view is safe and sane, yet people say I give them pain, and now and then a vagrant egg breaks on my bosom or my leg, and now and then a long dead cat come up and hits me on the hat—Walt Mason.

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

Consistency is a jewel, but you can't work it off on a girl in place of a diamond ring.

The editor of a Saskatchewan paper owns a pig that is fond of beer. Naturally it has a hog-head.

Another person's secret is like another person's money. You are not as careful with it as you are with your own.

An English postman has been fined for forgetting to mail a letter addressed to him. Seeing

that he was a married man, he should not have been deprived of his constitutional right.

Someone advises reading the dictionary regularly in order to acquire a good vocabulary. The Bible is just as good after you brush the dust off it.

Atlas was the man that held the world up, but it takes the trusts to get the money out of it.

Some people remind us of dogs. Whatever they want to do they do, regardless of the properties.

Experience shows that if a girl wants a husband, she must get out and hustle, the same as a man for a job.

Invitations are out for the marriage of a couple of the inmates of a school for the blind in South Carolina. This cannot be called love at first sight.

Wise weather prophets draw attention to geese going south over a month ago, and made foolish prophecies as to bad weather. Geese apparently judge the weather by the present conditions where they happen to be; like other wild creatures frequently pointed to as sure prophets, they know less of the future from their instincts than men can judge from their memories and written records. A large flight of birds coming south in fine weather may indicate that it has turned cold where they came from and may thus be expected to turn cold here soon; other "signs" usually fail when more eccentricities are noticed amongst the migratory birds.—The Saturday Press.

Gadabout was boasting of his extensive acquaintance. No celebrity could be mentioned unknown to him. He was intimately acquainted with all of them. Finally Dobson inquired: "Did you ever happen to meet the Siamese Twins?" Gadabout reflected a moment, and then

said: "Well, I am not quite sure that that I met both of them, but I know one of them very well."

One begins to realize the immensity of the Western wheat crop when the binder twine used on the grain would stretch 150 times around the globe.

"Be polite, it costs you nothing." It is all kinds of an asset, however. Politeness gets business men, while the man with the cold stare and the nickel clutch is the chief obstacle to the growth of his business. Polite, affable people in a town give it the reputation of being a "clever" town. An aggregation of pickle faced individuals breed a harvest of knooks for their town. Wear a smile and look like you are clothed in your right mind.—Exchange.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Are you a member of The Board of Trade?

Mr. J. Steers spent a couple of days in Lacombe this week.

Mr. Ed. Barkwell was in town for a day or two this week.

Hockey dance next Wednesday evening in Coleman's Pool parlor.

Mr. Tom Victor, of Coronation, was in town for a day or two this week.

Mr. S. T. St. John, Jr., is away on a business trip to Calgary and Edmonton.

Miss Mackay left for Edmonton Thursday morning and expects to return next week.

Miss Ethel Hoffman has returned to her home in Tees, Alta., after several months sojourn with friends in Mirror.

Tomorrow (Friday) is the last day on which tickets can be mailed for the carrying of the mail between the station and the post office.

Mr. W. C. Gardner, of Downpatrick, Ireland, is a newcomer to Mirror, and is holding down the position of ledger-keeper in the Bank of Commerce.

Mr. D. M. Jewel, of the firm of Jewel & Dowdall, was kicked by a horse some time ago, and a small bone in his right leg broken. Mr. Jewel is now able to get about with the aid of crutches.

A scarcity of fuel was one of the chief problems the town had to face this week, and the coalbins that were anyways accessible were visited on several occasions. A car of coal arrived (today) Thursday and relieved the situation.

Extra low excursion rates are being advertised by the Grand Trunk Railway for the Xmas holidays, to points in Eastern Canada and the United States. Tickets are on sale all through the month of December and are good for three months.

Mr. A. M. Keller, painter, reports business good and has many contracts on hand. He is at present painting the Roy Hardware Co.'s building on Robert street. Mr. Keller says it reminds him of painting some of New York's skyscrapers.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. G. Ruthven drove to Ponoka and spent Sunday last week with Mr. Crozier, Manager Bank of Commerce in that town. Mr. Crozier was a resident of Mirror at one time, being in charge of the local branch when it was opened.

We have been unable to hear anything definite in regard to the proposed building of hotels in Mirror. There are a couple of rumors floating around, but which one is the right one, it is impossible to decide. We will probably have more definite news by next week.

The Church of Christ held an afternoon service in Steers' Dining Hall last Sunday. Rev. Mr. Brown discoursed. In the evening Rev. W. A. McIntosh conducted the services for the Methodist. Next Sunday evening divine service will be held at the same place and hour.

Mr. Hattam, of Regina, who has been in town for several days, has decided to locate in Mirror, and purchased a building from Mr. C. F. Bentley. The bakery will be conducted on Gilman street and Mr. Hattam will commence operations on the arrival of his oven, which will be in the course of a week or two; the exact date will be made known through the columns of this paper. It is the intention of Mr. Hattam to turn out a first-class line of bread and confectionery. Mr. Andrew Jeffrey, who is associated with Mr. Hattam, intends spending the winter in Mirror.

Only six weeks from Sunday and Christmas will be here.

Take an interest in the town and join the Board of Trade.

The Lamerton Mercantile Co. are advertising a great rebuilding sale of their entire stock of dry goods, groceries, etc., etc.

Two large windows have been placed in the front of the Mirror pool room, making a big improvement to the building.

Mr. J. F. Flewelling is erecting a house to the North of his blacksmith shop. Mrs. Flewelling will take up her residence here in the course of a week or so.

Mr. Chas. Thomas, son of Mr. A. Thomas, is building a house on Frances Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas will move to Mirror just as soon as their house is completed.

Duitman & Johnson, hardware merchants, have built a workshop to rear of their store, giving more room for the display of stoves and other lines carried by this firm.

The first blizzard of the season blew in on Monday and we had our initial taste of the approaching winter. The Sunday previous was a glorious autumn day and the storm on Monday seemed all the more severe on that account. A great deal of snow fell, accompanied by a cold North wind, making travel anything but pleasant. On Wednesday night the thermometer dropped to 24° below, the coldest snap so far.

BOARD OF TRADE.

The weekly meeting of the Mirror Board of Trade met in Duitman & Johnson's hardware store on Tuesday evening, Nov. 4, 1911. President Roy occupied the chair and the majority of the members were present.

One of the chief topics before the Board was the grain buying question and a letter from the Burrill Grain Company was read, saying that it was impossible for them at the present time to place a buyer in Mirror. A motion was then passed authorizing the Secretary to wire several grain companies in regard to getting a buyer here at once. It is a well known fact that the farmers are anxious and willing to ship their grain and produce from Mirror just as soon as the facilities for doing so are a little better than they are at present.

A letter from Mr. F. M. Gokey, of Sedgwick, was read with reference to the possibilities for opening a veterinary surgeon's office in Mirror. This letter received favorable comment and it was pointed out that the nearest veterinary was stationed at Stettler over 30 miles away. The Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Gokey and inform him that there is a good opening in Mirror and vicinity for the practice of his profession.

The removal of the Lamerton Mercantile Company to Mirror came up for discussion, but it was decided to await the return of Mr. Williams before anything definite is undertaken.

The question of erecting some kind of hall was brought up at the last meeting and it was decided to lay it over until the next meeting. The Board have no definite place to meet at present and might with the aid of the churches, lodges and other amusements see their way clear to go ahead with the building. The matter will be thoroughly threshed out next Tuesday evening and all the members should be on hand and take part in the discussion.

The meeting next Tuesday evening will convene in the Bank of Commerce rooms at 8 o'clock.

NARROW ESCAPE.

Mr. Wm. Cook, of Mirror, who has been assisting at the G. T. P. round house for some time was the victim of an accident Monday afternoon of last week that might have proved a morose affair. The men were moving the cement mixer, having hitched two teams of horses to the rear, were using the tongue as a guide, when the front wheels struck some object throwing the tongue around with such force as to knock Mr. Cook against a pile of lumber. He was rendered unconscious and a deep gash three inches long was inflicted on the back of the head. Drs. Mooney & Armstrong attended to the wound and a number of stitches were necessary to close the cut. Mr. Cook had a narrow escape as the cement wall was only missed by a foot or two.

MIRROR HOCKEY AND SKATING CLUB.

The above is the name of a new organization which has just been formed in Mirror, and judging by the interest displayed at the first meeting the undertaking will certainly be a success, financially and otherwise.

The meeting called for last Monday evening in Suggett's drug store was pulled off on schedule time, and after a few preliminary remarks, President Roy, of the Board of Trade, took the chair and the following officers were elected:

Hon. Pres., W. H. Williams, President, Chas. Roy, Vice-President, H. L. Staples, Sec.-Treas., N. H. G. Ruthven, Captain, A. G. Suggett, Manager, W. J. Good.

Executive-President, Vice-President, Sec.-Treas., Captain and Manager.

The fee for the Hockey Club was placed at \$2.00. The skating fee for gentlemen will be \$4.00; ladies, \$2.00, and a family ticket will cost \$6.00.

A great deal of time was taken up by the discussion over the building of an open-air rink, and after the report of the committee appointed to look into this matter was given, it was decided to take Mr. Francis' offer to build and look after the rink during the winter months.

The rink will be 160 feet long by 64 feet wide, with an electric fence. An alley four feet wide will extend down one side, giving ample room for spectators. This enclosure will be protected by a four foot fence and wire netting. A small building will also be erected at one end for the comfort of the skaters.

The Hockey Club will have two afternoons a week for practice and the balance of the evenings will be devoted to skating. The location of the rink is on the pond about one block west of the King George restaurant. There is a good sheet of ice there already and Mr. Francis will proceed to erect a fence at once.

The undertaking should be well patronized by the young people as it will be the chief, in fact, the only amusement in town this winter.

The Hockey Club are trying to arrange a schedule with the towns to the north and south of Mirror, viz., Bashaw and Alix, and if satisfactory arrangements can be made with these two teams an interesting winter's sport will be the outcome.

Over 200 delegates are attending the Alberta Sunday School Convention in Edmonton this week.

The annual report of the department of the census shows the Indian population of Canada to be 103,601.

HOCKEY BENEFIT.

Next Wednesday evening, Nov. 15th, a hockey benefit game will take place in Coleman's Pool room. Mirror. Good music will be supplied and hang-up time is guaranteed. Such will also be served. Everybody attend and give the Hockey Club a start.

G. T. P. NEWS.

Agent Harper is now constantly domiciled in the station and is in a better position to attend to the growing business of Mirror, with quickness and dispatch.

The pile driver has finished work in the yards here and was moved to the over-head bridge, this side of Alix on Wednesday.

About four miles of steel was removed from the siding near as freight shed to the Regina branch of the G. T. P.

Mr. E. J. Chamberlain, vice-president and general manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, and Mr. H. H. Brewer, general superintendent, arrived in Mirror last Thursday on their return from a trip of inspection west to the head of the steel.

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